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Title	: HEXA-VALENT CHROMIUM REMOVAL FROM AQUEOUS MEDIA USING FERROUS-FORM ZEOLITE MATERIALS	

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and STATEMENT OF RELATEDNESS UNDER M.P.E.P. § 2001.06(b)**

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Sir:

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- (1) U.S. patent application no. 11/192,756, filed July 29, 2005, pending.

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If the Examiner has any questions, please contact the undersigned attorney.

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